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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hiroyuki FUJITA

Serial Number: 09/663,709

Group Art Unit: 1653

Filed: September 15, 2000

Examiner: GUPTA, A.

For: ANGIOTENSIN CONVERTING ENZYME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

February 22, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 20, 2001, the Applicants respectfully request that the present application be amended as follows, and the rejection of record be reconsidered in view of the amendments and the following remarks.

A marked-up version of the amendments is included with this response.

A petition for a one-month extension of the response period and the requisite fee therefor are submitted concurrently herewith.

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AMENDMENTS

IN THE APPLICATION:

Please replace the original specification, including claims and abstract, by the substitute specification, including claims and abstract, which is submitted concurrently herewith. No new matter has been added.